

BRANDT'S XMAS SLIPPER STOCK



ABOUNDS IN
NOVELTIES.

Tan and Black Faustus.....\$1.50 and \$2.00
Black and Tan Operas.....\$1.00 to \$1.50
Everetts, in Tan and Black.....\$1.00 to \$1.50
Patent Leather Oxfords.....\$1.50 and \$2.00
Patent Leather Operas.....\$3.00
Genuine Alligator and Seal Operas.....\$3.50

OPEN NIGHTS UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

BRANDT'S 619 to 623
N. BROADWAY.

...MILLS & AVERILL...
TAILORING CO.,
BROADWAY AND PINE.



FOR BOYS' Clothing.

"Knockabout" School Suits,
For Boys, sizes 8 to 15 years,

\$5.00.

OVERCOATS

That are cut on the same plan as
the men's

\$5.00 to \$10.00

The mother who finds it hard to
find real modish clothing for her
boy should see us. MR. J. A.
POWERS and MR. C. W. GIG-
ROUX, both gentlemen well ac-
quainted with the boys' cloth-
ing trade, will be glad to help
you make your Christmas selection.

REMEMBER—Your Boy Gets
a Christmas present when
you make your purchase.

Mills & Averill

TAILORING CO.,
Broadway and Pine.

SANG AS HE SHOT HIMSELF.

St. Paul Man Took His Life Before
a Mirror.

St. Paul, Dec. 19.—C. T. Christensen stood
in front of a mirror in his room at 12
o'clock last night, sang "Du, Du Liegt Mir
Immer," and then fired a bullet into his
mouth. He died instantly.
He had quarreled with his wife and di-
vorce proceedings were commenced.

CITY ITEMS.

FOR the accommodation of the public
CRAWFORD'S will keep open on next Sat-
urday and Monday night until 10 o'clock,
and on Tuesday night until 11 o'clock.

FOR CHRISTMAS.

An Opera Hat,
Gloves,
Canes,
Umbrellas.

Many Novelties in
Ladies'
Umbrellas.

MATTHEWS,

Hatter,
700 Pine Street.

If It Comes From
MATTHEWS
It Will Be Sure to Please.

DUNN'S

912-914-916 FRANKLIN AVE.

We have now opened up our stock of Fall
and Winter Overcoats, of all kinds, and in all
colors, for both rich and poor, large and small,
and at figures to suit all, and lower than any
other place in the city. An immense line to se-
lect from. Do not fail to see them before buying
elsewhere. Also Winter Suits, Coats and Vests
and Pants by the thousands. Money loaned on
all articles of value at lowest rates of interest.

BEN BARNETT & CO.,

607 PINE STREET.

Money to Loan
ON PERSONAL PROPERTY.

UNDEVELOPED FILMS FOR SALE. Business
Confidential.

TAPEWORM

Expelled alive in
less than 24 hours
by the use of
DR. ARKRIGHT'S
SPECIAL, 200 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo.

2000 Specimens in bottles with rollers made by
C. W. CRUTCHER, No. 21-23 S. Third St.

The Name of Dr. Arkwright

On medicines does not mean that it is alone and
only Dr. Arkwright's remedy. Dr. Arkwright
was the founder of the Arkwright Medicines, but
his line of remedies was completed only by care-
ful selection of prescriptions of other eminent
physicians. Dr. Arkwright's BILDAKA, bilis-
mum, and various other remedies, are cer-
tainly of value at lowest rates of interest.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

JOSEPH F. FARISH,

ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC BUILDING,

200 S. MAIN ST. KINLOCH 6673.

TEN MEN KILLED BY MOLTEN METAL.

Caught on Small Platform 120 Feet
in Air by Shower of Melted
Ore and Cinders.

GAS IN A FURNACE EXPLODED.

Five Men Blown From Platform
Were the Only Ones of Flit-
teen Who Were Not
Killed Outright.

Pittsburg, Dec. 19.—By an explosion of
gas in the Soho furnace of Jones & Laugh-
lin at 6:30 o'clock this morning, ten men
were burned to death, three more perhaps
fatally hurt and twenty others more or less
injured. The damage to the plant will
amount to \$30,000.

The explosion occurred in one of the big
blast furnaces. The men were at work at
the top of the furnace, more than 120 feet
from the ground, when gas which had ac-
cumulated in the furnace exploded and tons
of molten metal, cinders and slag were
thrown high above them.

The men made a rush for the elevator,
but it had gone down and there was no es-
cape. To jump meant death, and to re-
main on the platform was just as certain
doom.

* Five of the men were blown off the top
of the furnace, and strande as it may
seem, these men are the ones who are
still living. The others clung to the rail-
ing, some on the outside, others on the in-
side, until their clothing was burned off.
Two of the victims hanging on the outside
held on until their fingers were burned off.
Then they fell to the roof of the mill,
dead.

Seven of the victims were found dead on
the platform of the cupola. These were
completely denuded by the flames, and
their bodies burned almost to a crisp.
Two of the victims were found in the
stockyard of the plant, 200 yards from the
furnace. Every bone in their bodies seemed
to have been broken.

Hundreds of pedestrians had narrow es-
capes from instant death when the explo-
sion occurred. Tons of ore, coke and hot
cinders and some pieces weighing almost
three pounds rained down on Second ave-
nue. Over two tons of the debris fell
there.

Thomas Jones and Arthur Young, man-
agers of the plant, say that ordinarily only
three men work on top of the furnace, but
the heavy iron wagons used in taking up
the ore to the top of the furnace got stuck
on the top of the structure and the three
men sent for assistance. A few men went
up, but they could not move the wagon
and more went up until the number reached
fifteen. It was while they were trying to get
the wagon released that the explosion took
place.

Burnett's Vanilla Extract is the fixed
standard of excellence. It is the finest
purest vanilla extract that can be bought.

COURT OF APPEALS DECISIONS.

Attorney Mooneham's Judgment
Against L. A. Cella Affirmed.

The Court of Appeals yesterday affirmed
the finding of the Circuit Court, giving
judgment for \$12,248 against Louis A. Cel-
la in favor of R. A. Mooneham for legal
services in prosecuting pool selling cases in
Lake Bridge, Ill. In 1899, Mooneham
claimed that Cella agreed to pay him \$500
and give him \$200. He sued for the balance
and obtained judgment with interest. Ap-
pellate Judge Barclay passed on the case
and Judge Bland and Judge Connelley con-
curred.

Other cases decided yesterday were:
By Judge Bland:
Robert Skene, Jr., resp., vs. Union Cas-
ualty and Surety Company, app., city; re-
versed.

L. A. Young, app., vs. Marion-Sims Col-
lege of Medicine, resp., city; affirmed.
Lincoln Trust Company, guardian, etc., vs.
Edward B. Wolf et al., depts., and Wash-
ington West et al., apps., city; reversed and
remanded.

Anna Omeyer, resp., vs. Supreme For-
est Woodmen Circle, etc., app., city; re-
versed and remanded.

AN INDICTED MAN IS KILLED.

W. R. Gaines, Charged With Mur-
der, Perishes in a Wreck.

Denison, Tex., Dec. 19.—W. R. Gaines, a
fireman on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas,
was killed at Checotah, I. T., in a wreck,
and a celebrated criminal case was ended.

Gaines shot Charles Koch, a brother-in-
law, to death. Before Koch was killed he
and his wife inherited a large sum of money.
Gaines being already well-to-do, Gaines was
convicted of the murder of Koch and given a
life term.

A new trial was secured and Gaines was
again given a life sentence, but secured a
third trial.

The third trial resulted in a hung jury,
and the fourth was to have taken place in
February. All of Gaines' money and most of
his wife's has gone into fighting the case,
and he had to go to railroading to earn a
livelihood.

Fresh Every Day—Oakes' old-fashioned
Molasses Candy: contains nothing but the
best N. O. molasses. It's the "know how"
that makes it so good. 305 N. Broadway.

"Humphrey's Corner."

Don't Forget
the Boys.

Christmas is
Their Time.

You buy their clothes and we
furnish the Present. A num-
bered ticket with every purchase,
that gives the boy the present
bearing the corresponding num-
ber.

Value of presents up to \$25.00.

Long Pants Suits.....\$10 to \$25.00

Short Pants Suits.....\$5.00 to \$15.00

Sweaters of every.....\$1.00 to \$3.00

Smoking Jackets.....\$5.00 to \$20.00

Boys' Fur Gloves.....\$1.00

DON'T WAIT FOR
THE LAST DAY.

Humphrey's

Broadway and Pine,
St. Louis.

DEATH BETRAYED A SECRET.

White Man, Passing as a Negro,
Frozen in Iowa.

Orange City, Ia., Dec. 19.—Fred Krishick,
who has been living here for some time and
has passed for a negro, was found dead in a
strawstack about five miles east of town to-
day. He was frozen to death.
The discovery was made that the man was
not a negro, but had simply kept blackened up with burnt cork. He was
about 46 years old. His reason for coun-
selling his identity is not known.

RADIANT HOME

BASE BURNERS
WITH STOVE
RINCEN STOVE CO.

Kipling, Goes to South Africa.

London, Dec. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Rudyard
Kipling are to sail for South Africa Decem-
ber 21.

USED A PATRIOTIC SEAL.

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EMPIRE STATE OF THE WEST

At Charleston Exposition an Ex-
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REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Charleston, S. C., Dec. 19.—As the Christ-
mas holidays draw near at the South Caro-
lina Interstate and West Indian Exposit-
ion at Charleston, the people of the South
find that the great State of Missouri has
an exhibit of her resources that not only
surpasses any on the grounds, but is far
superior to the one at the Pan-American
Exposition. The Missouri Commissioners
have done themselves proud by the way in
which they have added to and improved
the various departments. In the great Col-
on Palace, which is the principal structure
of this exposition, Missouri has the best
spaces in the building for her agriculture,
horticulture and educational displays. E.
S. Garver, C. C. Bell and R. M. Yost, who
are in charge of these exhibits, have spared
no pains in making them attractive by the
wonderful show of grain, grasses, fruit,
etc.

The St. Louis Public School exhibit, which
won the gold medal at the Pan-American
Exposition, is now installed, and has been
increased by kindergarten work, and there-
in is not the least doubt, but what this well-
prepared exhibit will again secure first hon-
ors.

In the Mines and Forestry building, the

Empire State of the West has her mineral
and forestry exhibits, which are located
near the entrance and are under the super-
vision of John P. Beal and Fayette F.
Graves. They are now installed and occupy
a space five times greater than at Buffalo.
Although Missouri captured many honors
in these departments, the commission feels
confident that, owing to the fact that the
space is much larger and a better oppor-
tunity presents itself to show more fully
the wonderful development of the resources
in these departments, still higher honors
will be won.

The Louisiana Purchase Exposition build-
ing is about completed and R. D. Miller,
who is in charge at the present time, stated
that it would be ready for occupancy in
a few days.

5,000 Solid Gold Rings,
For Xmas Gifts, \$1 to \$40,
with turquoise, rubies, emeralds, etc.
MERMOD & JACCARD'S,
Broadway and Locust.

SHOE JOBBERS COME EARLY.

Boston Sends Representatives Two
Weeks Before Market Opens.

Boston shoe manufacturers and jobbers
are coming to St. Louis two weeks ahead of
their usual time this year, in order to be
on the ground when shoe buyers come into

market. Efforts of St. Louis manufacturers
and wholesalers to control the trade have
been so successful that the gentlemen from
the East do not wish to take any chances
on being left out altogether.

The St. Nicholas Hotel is headquarters for
the shoe men. W. H. Porter of Boston was
one of the first to arrive. He has been in
town two days. The others who have so far
arrived are R. W. Whipple, A. C. Welch, W.
Perkins, E. C. Johnson and E. L. Mc-
Clintock, all of Boston, and William M.
Goodbar of Memphis, Tenn.

Gold Eyeglasses and Spectacles.
For Xmas Gifts, 5c and Upward.
Will be fitted after Xmas by Drs. Bond
and Montgomery, expert opticians, at Mer-
mod & Jaccard's, Broadway and Locust.

MONROE CITY IS IN DARKNESS.

Accident Compels Light Plant to
Shut Down.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Monroe City, Mo., Dec. 19.—This city is
in darkness so far as the business district
is concerned. The light plant sustained an
accident that necessitated a shutdown.
Merchants who had arranged their win-
dow display for the holiday trade are cer-
tainly inconvenienced by the shutdown.

Remember the box of Oakes' Candy you
promised her! 205 N. Broadway.

A Handsome Christmas Exhibit

Has been prepared with greatest care for the benefit of Christmas shoppers bent on presenting to their men friends or relatives, tokens of good will—gifts that men appreciate, and doubly so when exhibiting marks of good taste and refinement.

Our unequalled showing of the newest in correct dress for men will make this an interesting task. There is also a satisfying assurance that every article is exactly as represented, the best of its kind and at the lowest possible price.

Neckwear Exhibit.

Words are inadequate to describe our
exquisite showing of exclusive neckwear
silks, and by exclusive we mean cor-
rect fashions you will find in no other
store in our city.

Bat Ties—correct forms,
50c and 75c

Four-in-Hands...50c and \$1

Ascots.....50c to \$1.50

Squares.....\$1 to \$4

Silk Suspender Exhibit.

A beautiful collection of real art in
suspenders.

Extraordinary Great Values
50c to \$6.00

Informal Evening Shirts,
\$2.00 and \$3.00

Full-Dress Shirts,
\$1.50 and \$2.00

Day Shirts—the newest patterns,
\$1.00 to \$3.50

Full-Dress Suits,
\$35 and \$40

Tuxedo Coats,
\$18 and \$24

Allow us to suggest—take an interesting stroll up Olive street to our store.

Werner Bros

Clothiers, Haberdashers and Hatters,

Republic Building. Mail Orders Carefully Filled. Open Evenings 9:30.

Saturday and Tuesday 10:30 Until Christmas.



Full-Dress Apparel of finest cloths and
best workmanship—it is only the best
custom tailor who might be a possible
competitor.

Full-Dress Suits,
\$35 and \$40

Tuxedo Coats,
\$18 and \$24

Silk Handkerchiefs,
25c to \$1.50

Tuxedo Hats.....\$3

Silk Hats.....\$5

Silk Opera Hats.....\$8

Cassimere Opera Hats,
\$6.50

Walking Sticks, \$1 to \$4.50

Bath Robes.....\$3 to \$10

House Coats.....\$5 to \$20

Lounging Robes, \$5 to \$35

Pajamas—new ideas,
\$1.50 to \$11

Night Shirts.....50c to \$11

Gloves—Dent's, Fownes',
Fisk and Perrin's, \$1 to \$2.50

Full-Dress Protectors,
New Models, \$1.25 to \$6

Mufflers.....\$1 to \$6

Silk Umbrellas, \$1.95 to \$10

INSURANCE AGENTS EXPECT CHANGES.

"Single-Agency" Plan Does Not
Meet With Universal Favor
—Rates Remain Strong.

With the approach of the new year, in-
surance men are preparing to hear of
several changes in local interests.
Transfers of agencies are usually made at
this time and the season is also opportune
for the entry of companies into the field
or the retirement of those which do not
wish to continue longer in business here.

The majority of insurance men are in
blissful ignorance of changes of this kind,
until they have become effective. Then
everybody gets busy adjusting himself and
his affairs to the new conditions.

In this connection, the talk of having
single agencies for each company doing
business here is causing the agents to do
some hard thinking. At present many
companies have from two to five different
agencies in the city. To concentrate all
the business of a company in one office
would have expense, it is believed, as well
as facilitate the work to be done. Whether
it would be for the general advantage of
the agents themselves is a question on
which the agents are not at all agreed.

The agents may meet informally in the
next week to talk the matter over.
"Whether the plan will be adopted no
one here seems to be able to guess with
accuracy," said one of the agents yes-
terday. "And whether an agent favors
the change is likely to be influenced by
what he considers his chances of getting
the companies he wants."

Rates have been stiff ever since the ad-
vance of last April and there is no im-
mediate prospect of a decline. Losses have
been heavy in the last year, and several
companies have withdrawn from this field.
With all this, business has been active and
the agents generally have had enough to do.

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